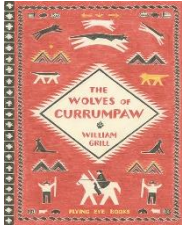


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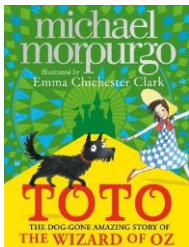
Reading List Year 3

The Wolves of Currumpaw by William Grill



This is a re-telling of a short story from a collection first published in 1898. Set in the plains of New Mexico this follows the story of a notorious wolf pack and the man hired to trap the pack's leader. It is a tale of how the hunter's life was changed and how this led to the establishment of wildlife conservation societies across America.

Toto the Dog and the Amazing Story of the Wizard of Oz by Michael Morpurgo



I was there, Papa Toto said, and those magic words sent shivers down my spine. It was going to be the Wizard story. Dorothy and me were both there. We were all silent, snuggled up together, waiting, waiting. Then Papa Toto began...

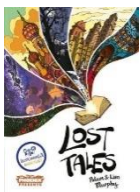
Podkin One-Ear by Kieran Larwood



In a nutshell: rabbit heroes | rabbit villains | magic and heroism | 'Stories aren't all about fighting and revenge. You have to have a bit of character development. Some suspense, some atmosphere'. So says the bard telling the story of rabbit hero Podkin One-Ear, and his tale certainly has all those things. Podkin is son of the chieftain of the Munbury warren but forced to flee with his baby brother and capable big sister Paz when their home is invaded by the terrifying Gorm, iron-clad monster rabbits turned evil by greed and enchantment. The story of how their little band grows to

start the fight back against the Gorm is full of magic, narrow escapes and heroic deeds. Written in a very engaging style, regular breaks when the bard discusses the story with his audience both building and easing tension, this is a great bit of storytelling. Readers will hope for more adventures for Podkin and Paz.

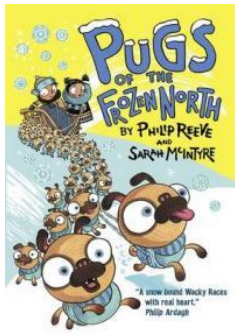
Lost Tales by Adam Murphy



In the land of the Mi'kmaq, there lived an invisible warrior who longed to be seen. In the Punjab, there lived a poor hermit who renounced riches. In Brazil, there lived a lonely princess who yearned for a playmate. Uncover these tales of wonder from around the world.

From Adam Murphy, creator of Corpse Talk, comes a collection of the most magical myths and legends you've never heard before...

Pugs of the Frozen North by Philip Reeve



Shortlisted for the UKLA 2017 Book Award Award winning author partners Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre head north for their latest adventure. When the cabin boy is abandoned by his shipmates when their ship is stranded in the ice. He's completely alone, except for 64 little pugs, part of the ship's cargo! He soon teams up with Shika, a girl desperately seeking dogs to pull her grandpa's sled in the Race to the Top of the World, a once in a lifetime contest to win your heart's desire. The eccentric competitors mean there's something of the Wacky Races about all of this, but amongst the crazy – and very entertaining – scenes there are surprising notes of poignancy, as well as some lovely

descriptions of the True Winter, fifty types of snow and all.

Heartsong by Kevin Crossley Holland



An orphan with no voice but an extraordinary musical gift. A man of music who discovers her gift. Heartsong is spell-binding tale about the healing power of music set against the mystery and beauty of Venice. A very special present for music-loving readers The Times Atmospheric The Times Abandoned at the orphanage in Venice as a baby, Laura has never spoken. Her life is transformed when the composer Vivaldi unlocks her passion for music. The seasons turn, dark turns to light and miracles happen. Carnegie award-winning author, Kevin

Crossley-Holland makes every word a masterstroke. This short novel is exquisitely illustrated by acclaimed artist, Jane Ray. Her work is inspired by Vivaldi's Four Seasons and the real girls and boys who lived and laughed and worked in the Venetian Orphanage.